

The Valley & East Coast Voice

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Cranks & Tinkerers car show a great success.

The morning was cool and overcast, really time to pull the covers over my head and grab a few extra hours sleep. But the quiet was shattered by a noise heard only on this special day, yes the Old Cranks and Tinkerers car show was about to start.

Anxious not to miss out I quickly downed a slice of toast and tea and headed to the Guild shed to collect the BBQ and snags.

On arrival at the Green there were a few cars already parked and the spaces were filling up fast. As each car arrived they were greeted by Jim and given the necessary paperwork. As the morning progressed more and more cars arrived and filled the Green to over flowing. This necessitated some to park on the roadside.

Soon the Green and Main Street were full of cars, bikes, the smell of snags on the BBQ, and people. All admiring the mechanical marvels. Their bumpers were polished and the windows were sparkling.

This year's event saw new and repeat entrants, old friendships revisited, deals done, old feats of daring-do relived and rare spare parts sourced.

Joe the camera man was busy taking shots and interviewing officials, owners and spectators for his next documentary.

As the day drew to a close and the entrants left, it felt that it had been another successful year for the Cranks and Tinkerers. It was obvious that it won the approval of car enthusiasts. The looks of interest told a thousand thoughts "if only I owned that".

People's choice was won by the yellow GT40, well done.

A thank you to our committee Ian Summers, Grant "Blacky" Faulkner, Bill "The Marvel" Targett, Reon "Councillor Muldoon" Johns, Jeff "Keep Turning" Springer and Andrew "Miniman" Atherton.
Reon Johns.

Pictured right a small selection of a super collection of cars on show last Sunday.

Congratulations to the Cranks and Tinkerers on another successful day, and I believe the Museum was well visited as well.



PLEASE READ INFORMATION IN THIS ISSUE
CONCERNING HUMAN SWINE FLU.

Please note: Deadline for articles to be included in the next Valley Voice is: 5 pm Tuesday June 16, 2009.
email address: judith.spilsbury@bigpond.com

Community news

St Marys Hospital Auxiliary meets the first Monday of every month at 2pm at the **St Marys Community Health Centre**.

The Break O'Day Woodcraft Guild Inc. meets the last Saturday of the month at 2pm at the goods shed behind the St Marys Railway Station.

Grassy Bottom Regional Arts General meeting time and place has changed **Please note** that until this years Winter Solstice, general meetings will be held each Thursday morning at 9am at eEscape Cafe. Come have a cuppa in a warm and comfortable place and join the fun.

The **Tasmanian Lymphoedema Centre Inc.**, holds meetings every 3rd Monday of the month at 10 am at the St Marys Community Health Centre.

St Marys Ladies Midweek Tennis 9.30am each wed. Need new players - of any standard-beginners welcome-childminding included - lovely safe place to bring toddlers while you play. **Ring Annette-6372 2224.**

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WOMBAT WALK LANDSCAPING GROUP meet every Wednesday 9am to 12 Noon (weather permitting) at St Marys Musical Playground area to plant and maintain the rivulet park and flower bank - anyone interested in joining us - please come along and meet our group. **Contact - Robina 6372 2022.**

Break O'Day Wine & Food Appreciation Society meets once a month on the last Sunday.
Ph: Jan 6376 1661 or Leanne Ph: 6372 5291.

The Scamander and Beaumaris Community Development Association meets at 7 pm at the Scamander Sports Complex every third Wednesday of the month. New members are most welcome.

St. Patricks Head & Esk Valley Historical Society meets on the third Sunday of every month, except December, at St. Marys Online Access Centre at 2.30 pm. Meetings are informal and fun and new members are needed. Please contact **Barry Aulich** on **6372 5752** or **Jim Haas** on **6372 2127.**

The Falmouth Community centre would like to advise members and the community that the new contact for bookings of club facilities is Ben Morgan. Ben can be contacted on **03 6372 5604.**

Suncoast Singers meet every Friday at 10am in the Catholic Hall - Cecilia Street St Helens. New singers always welcome....If you can yawn - you can sing. Phone Mary-Anne Wadsworth 6376 2969.

St. Helens Al-Anon Family Group Meeting: St. Pauls Anglican Church Hall - every Sunday 2pm Contacts: **Ann, John 6376 3270 or Rose 6376 3335.**

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NEWS FROM GONE RUSTIC

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Quilter and Weaver – talented St. Helens artisan *Lana Laessig* will be the guest exhibitor from 9th – 26th June. Lana is originally from the US, and has been creating for many years. Her exhibition will be *launched at 12 noon on Tuesday 9th June* (cost: \$5 for light lunch and refreshments). All welcome! [Please note - launch takes place on *Tuesday*, not Monday as previously advertised.]

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Free quilt block patterns – available to *anyone* who drops in to Gone Rustic ... just ask!

Rustic Ragamuffins – every *Wednesday, 7-9*. Bring your *current stitching project* and enjoy chat, friendship and laughs! \$5 per night – includes *tea, coffee and home-made cake*.

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Meals on Wheels Annual General Meeting August 19th 2009 At 2.00pm

St Marys Community Health Centre
Agenda - Election of Office Bearers

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Secretary
Treasurer
Committee

Present President, Secretary and Treasurer
are not for re-election.

Secretary, Susan Woods.

St Marys District Hospital Support Association Inc.

Members please note that annual subs for 2008/09
of \$5.00 per family
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THANK YOU

Thank you to Rod at e.ScApe Café for the lovely morning tea he provided to the businesses in St Marys on Tuesday May 26. The Devonshire Tea was absolutely wonderful. Kim and Kelly.

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A LITTLE BIT OF HERITAGE: Jim Haas
Noel “Gunner” Bradbury”
1919 - 2009

On the 16th May 2009, Cornwall lost its oldest resident when Noel “Gunner” Kitchener Bradbury passed away at Medea Park. Noel was also the last World War Two veteran from the St Marys area and one of only two Cornwall boys to go overseas in the conflict. The other was A. J. “Billy” Margison, who did not return.

Back in November 2008 St Patricks Head & Esk Valley Historical Society videoed an interview with Noel from his bed in Medea Park. When we entered his room he was asleep with an oxygen mask over his face and we were about to leave thinking he wasn't up to talking. But he sensed our presence and in no time he had the oxygen mask removed and the smiling face of the man we had all known and respected for most of our lives was revealed. The smile soon changed to a cheeky grin when he saw the video camera and made comment of how he had always wanted to be a movie star.

For the next two hours, that warm smile, which often rose to a chuckle, stayed on Noel's face. He told us in his usual light hearted way, of a life that had seen it all, including the horrors of war against the Japanese in New Guinea. But Noel rarely talked about the hard times, instead he concentrated on the good memories like the antics of the New Guinea natives and the small pig who wandered in to his army camp one day and became a pet. The men became so attached to it that when the war ended they brought it home to Australia with them. “The last I seen of the damn thing,” Noel chuckled., “It was tearing up a street in Sydney squealing its head off.”

One of Noel's fondest childhood memories was when he was about seven or eight and he stood on the platform at St Marys Railway Station with his father and watched the steam train pull into the station loaded with circus animals and equipment. Hundreds of townspeople lined the streets and cheered the elephants as they pulled the carts and carried the circus to the recreation ground to prepare, for what was for many, the show of a lifetime.

Noel grew up in Cornwall at a time of great controversy when strikes, scab labour and the Great Depression affected the whole town. He remembered 1930 when Scottish and Welsh miners were brought in to work in the coalmine while the locals were on strike. The locals labelled them “Scabs” and night after night the local women and children would belt tin cans with sticks outside the windows of their homes for hours on end. Noel's smile broadened when he remembered one woman who would hide behind her fence and when a scab walked past she would throw a bucket of water over him. It was a trying time for all at Cornwall in those days, there was regular fighting in the streets, houses were burnt down and, it was said, the Hall was burnt down after it was used by the scabs to hold a meeting.

Noel talked proudly of his father, James, a war veteran from the First World War. One day he was bitten on the finger by a snake and didn't hesitate in cutting part of the finger off with a tomahawk. But he wasn't satisfied that he'd cut enough off the first time, so he cut another length off. Another day, while possum hunting in the hills behind Cornwall, he found the bones of a human hand wrapped in bark and placed in a kangaroo skin pouch. James kept the hand in the house for years until he finally gave it to Robert Legge Senior of Cullenswood, who in turn, gave it to the Tasmanian Museum. It was identified as an Aboriginal hand and is believed to be preserved in the Museum in Hobart.

In Noel's day, when a soldier came home from the war it was always by train and a reception would be arranged at the St Marys Railway Station. The day Noel came home, he was the only soldier from St Marys on the train, but he was a popular lad and a huge gathering of family and friends awaited him at St Marys. The first person Noel wanted to see, however, was his grandmother who lived at Cornwall, so he left the train at Cullenswood and went directly to his grandmother's house. “Apparently, I spoiled the party for all the folk at St Marys.” Noel chuckled.

But then Noel wasn't all that keen on parties, he would rather a quiet beer, or a bet, or a day's fishing. But as you grew to know and love this unassuming man you knew he had experienced more than most and there was something special about him. He was a man who made you proud to call him your friend.



On Remembrance Day 2007, Noel planted the Lone Pine at Cornwall in memory of the men and women who served their country. Right: A young Noel with wife Val.



Letters to the Editor

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Dear Editor,

I am writing to you regarding “my grave concern” political address Letter to the Editor by the Greens Candidate Preselection (Break O’Day) Peter Power in your last edition of May 21st 2009.

I write this from my perspective of being offended by this letter as a Forestry Tasmania employee and long term local community member.

How soon we forget.

If Peter had done any background on the smoke seen along the coast on the 5th of May 2009, he would have discovered that the recent “terrible Forestry Tasmania burnoff” was in fact a controlled Hazard Reduction Burn. This burn was conducted as part of an ongoing program to reduce fuel loads in the dry forests near St. Helens in order to prevent tragedies such as that of the life and property lost in this very district in December 2006, not to mention the Victorian fires of only a few of months ago. I would have thought our political novice would still have the screaming in his ears from the local community at that time of the need for more of this “burnoff” procedure to be implemented.

These burns are undertaken with comprehensive planning and approval processes and are scrutinized under the rigors of the new Coordinated Smoke Management Strategy. The local community is also notified of the intention and timing of these burns through media outlets.

With regard to the use of Atrazine, Forestry Tasmania has not used this chemical since 1995. Nor has Forestry Tasmania used 1080 poison since 2005. But I do note that Peter has used the longbow of inferring that the use of 1080 may be responsible for the Tassie Devil tumors when he should know that extensive research by independent scientists have failed to find any such link.

In fact Peter’s letter reads like a page from some ideological manifesto, taking aim at the forest industry in general and completely disregarding the benefits in employment, the local economy and community support the industry has in our district.

Paul Spilsbury, St. Marys



Our East Coast in December, 2006.

Letter to the Editor.

Not a word from the Mayor or the General Manager, not so much as a whisper! Is doing the job that you are both paid generously to do, something that is not to your liking? Or is it that you find that to agree with me regarding people’s rights over the land that they totally own and have bought under Fee Simple Absolute would open the floodgates allowing landowners to do whatever they like without interference from the Council? There would also have to be an apology and a retraction, which, I feel would be equally unappealing to both of you. On the other hand, we all know that there is no way that you can defend your dictatorial position in the matter in question.

Come on gentlemen, you cannot hide from the truth or the law. It is time for you to show some intestinal fortitude and state your position openly as I have stated mine. The people are waiting! I trust that I have succeeded in enlightening you and made you aware at last of the limitations of your authority over the good people of this municipality. In the absence of any worthwhile response to this request for action on your part, the people will be forced to assume that you have no valid legal authority whatever over ratepayers and what they desire to do on their own land, providing that they are in no way interfering with others.

You have a civic duty and a moral duty to respond in a meaningful and worthwhile manner.

Charles Trollope, St Marys.

Dear Editor,

I was astounded to read in the last issue of the Valley Voice, the letter from Councillor Clement regarding amalgamations. His pathetic apology to the Break O’Day community because he supported a motion for the Break O’Day Council to negotiate with Glamorgan Spring Bay for an agreed amalgamation, is nothing but hypocritical.

Not only did Councillor Clement second the motion, but he was instrumental in drafting it. In fact he added the words to ensure that there was an escape clause “Council reserves the right to withdraw its voluntary consent to the merger if it subsequently determines following the investigations that it is not in the best interests of the Community”.

Councillor Clement has resorted to scare tactics by stating that “the decision of the future identity of our towns and districts and their ability to be closely involved in their own affairs has been handed over to an outside body”. This is completely misleading. The “outside body” is the Local Government Board set up under the Local Government Act and it is empowered to hold extensive community consultations to ensure that the merger is in the best interest of the communities involved.

The same communities of Break O’Day would be better served if Councillor Clement used his never ending rhetoric to assure them that there is nothing to fear from investigating a proposed merger between the two Councils.

Vic Cato.

Councillor.

Letter to the Editor

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Letter to the Editor

In reply to Clr Clement Re proposed merger last edition of Valley Voice.

Clr Clement did vote to have the matter of a merger examined by an independent body whether he likes it or not and apologising does not change the issue in any way at all. If other Councillors voted on any issue and then changed their minds and apologised because they thought they made an error what a farce it would be. Everyone has the right to change their mind but to stand on a pedestal and make out that you are right and others wrong is not right. Clr Clement can't get his mind around the fact that the Government board will do all the consultation and financial review then report back, at that time Clr Clement will have the opportunity to reject or accept. To go against a Council decision publicly is unbelievable and shows that his self interest overrides anything else.

If we do nothing we will eventually be told where we will go and I would prefer that we be masters of our own destiny. I am appalled at Clr Clement's comment that the issue of a merger only came to light after a press release. He has conveniently not remembered that Council last year gave permission for me to investigate the possibilities of a merger between Glamorgan Spring Bay and the Break O'Day Councils, he also voted for that. The leak in the press was premature as discussions were still going on, and I am sure that Clr Clement is using this for his own agenda.

Let us look at the big picture, it has been suggested that three super Councils or 8 or 11 Councils in Tasmania should be the way to go, I wonder what the people of the East Coast will say when they are out on a limb. It is far better to have an East Coast Council that all of us can relate to rather than have our masters in a major city. At least the majority of Councillors who voted for the review are standing by their commitment and are innovative in looking at all the possibilities, they are proactive not reactive as Clr Clement. I don't think the people of the east coast want their centre in Hobart or Launceston. If that happens then how are we going to be fairly represented?

Council did know that there were talks about resource sharing and for Clr Clement to say it has only just been revealed is nothing but scare mongering, and shows a lack of interpreting what he is told. I would have presumed that I had been given the authority to look at all matters pertaining to a merger or sustainability. We have only met twice to discuss resource sharing since November as a body, so we have not gone very far.

I have never had discussions about amalgamating seven (7) East coast Councils (if you can find 7 East Coast Councils) the only time seven Councils got together was once for the resource sharing talks, this I believe is what the Mayor of Sorell was saying. In my Mayors communications of 5/3/2009 it was listed that a meeting was held at Triabunna.

Clr Clement has stated that in his opinion there is no safety net for withdrawal after the process has been completed, I informed Councillors of the opportunity to reject or accept the findings. I have recently received a letter from the Minister that has been circulated to Councillors stating that the Council has the final right to reject or accept the findings, another misquote from the Councillor.

It does show that Clr Clement is not a team player, to be a Councillor one needs to realise that the Council operates on majority rule and he should accept what is passed by Council, not publicly go out and flaunt his own personal views and ask for people to help him defeat the proactive people who are his fellow Councillors who also represent the community. To stir up the people before the Board has had the chance to hold public consultations is nothing less than disgraceful and flies in the face of hypocrisy. The whole Council wants the best outcome for its community and of course will see that this happens, it seems that Clr Clement does not trust his fellow Councillors.

It only leaves me with the thought that Clr Clement is completely self centered and self opinionated and nothing more than a Political opportunist.

Clr Clement will of course as always try to have the last say but for me this is my final say on this matter as I will be waiting for the Board's findings after they consult with the community, and then make a decision.

Robert Legge,
Mayor.

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That is what I would do if were premier for a day.

by Jack Greenwood

Congratulations Jack Greenwood, a student of St Marys District High School, on your recent achievement of winning the statewide “Premier for a Day” essay completion. The essay was to be 100 words or less and Jack’s winning effort is written above.

Jack was presented with his award by Premier and Education Minister, David Bartlett, (pictured left) at Public Education Day in Hobart last week. At the same time, the Federal Government announced capital works funding of \$14.7 million for Tasmanian schools. Jack is the son of Craig and Tanya Greenwood, and I am sure they are very proud of their son’s winning efforts.

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St Patricks Head & Esk Valley
Historical Society Inc.
www.fingalvalleyhistory.com

In a show of support for the reforming of the St Marys Football Club, the Society has a memorabilia display at the Online Access Centre. Please feel free to come and have a browse.

The next meeting of the Society is on Sunday 21st June at the St Marys Online Access Centre, at 2.30 pm. All Welcome.

On Sunday the 7th June, Greater Esk Tourism (GET) is conducting a history tour of Avoca meeting at the Avoca Park at 9.30am and finishing with a picnic lunch at Royal George. Anyone wishing to attend and need a ride contact the Society.

For more history on the Fingal Valley visit our website (www.fingalvalleyhistory.com), call into the Cranks and Tinkerers Museum in Main Street, St Marys, visit us at St Marys Online Access Centre, or Phone: Darlene 6372 2222, Barry 6372 5752, or Jim 6372 2127.

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OUT OF THE WOODWORK

Wendy Brennan, Secretary.

The Guild would like to extend a thankyou to Tony Walker the General Manager of the Break O'Day Council for giving permission for the Guild to collect rocks from the St Mary's Waste Tip. The rocks will be used in the Guild's garden which is still in progress.

I hate repeating myself but I just have to say again how amazed I am at the generosity of this community. Our monies for the club are raised by selling sausages and raffles. This is where I come in to say a '**Big Thank You**' to **Mick and Tracy Neighbour and their two sons Sam and Luke** who have donated a truck and trailer load of fire wood as part prize (the other is a wooden chair) for our upcoming raffle which will be drawn at the Winter Solstice.

Please keep a lookout for members selling tickets as all monies raised helps our club to help the community.

Finally, congratulations to the **St Marys Cranks and Tinkerers** for an interesting day last Sunday, and to the person who thought my V.W was worth **one** vote. It was much appreciated to know that there is another in this town with such discriminating taste!

The Guild meets on the last Saturday of the month at the Old Railway Goods Shed at **2.00 pm**.

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The surprise 50th birthday party for Dana Smith was certainly a surprise for her, judging by her expression when she arrived at White Sands Resort on Saturday night, to be greeted by around 70 family and friends.

Amazingly, the arrangements have been going on for quite a few months and no-one let it slip, including her 4 year old grandson, Hayden. Congratulations to Craig, Deborah Whitehead, Sandra Cook and Dana's family for giving her such a lovely party and DVD showing. I noticed a few tears flowing after the DVD finished.



Some of the guests at the party: l/r: Leanne Morris, Karon Brown, Annette Davey and guest of honour Dana Smith.

Sunrise Choir a hit

Trudy Barnes of Scamander, and singer with duo "Gypsy Rose" was chosen last Thursday by the Sunrise Show, to fly to Sydney to perform on television as a member of the Sunrise Choir.

Selection of members for the choir was made by George Torbet. The aim being, to record "Seasons of Love" for Sunrise.

Trudy had a great weekend practicing and mixing with the other members from around Australia, and then performing on Sunrise on Monday morning.

All members were taken to The Summit Restaurant for a wonderful meal, then on to the stage show, "Chicago", where the members of the choir were introduced to the stars of the show.

Trudy, you looked spectacular, and truly have a face made for television.

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More information on school stimulus proposals

Tasmanians will be able to find out more
about Building the Education Revolution
school proposals in their local
communities, said Premier and Minister
for Education and Skills, David Bartlett.

“The Australian Government has given
Tasmanian schools until 30 June to start
work on their recently announced round
1 projects worth up to \$77 million available for
Government schools,” Mr Bartlett said.

“This is the greatest school modernisation program in
Tasmanian history and is a critical component of the
Australian Government’s Nation Building – Economic
Stimulus Plan, giving our schools the facilities they so
richly deserve.

“The Australian Government has imposed very tight
timeframes for project proposals, approvals, commence-
ment and completion and therefore State legislation
providing for a flexible, streamlined planning approval
process was necessary for these specific projects.

“However, we are still providing local councils and the
general public the opportunity to view their local school’s
proposals for this very important initiative.”

“There are 17 projects in the South, 7 in the North and
10 in the North-West to be displayed at their local school
or council chambers,” Mr Bartlett said.

“Any schools that are heritage listed will be the subject
of a separate application to the Tasmanian Heritage
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Tasmanians invited to have a say in plan to tackle alcohol problems

The State Government is inviting Tasmanians to consider and comment on a five year Tasmanian Alcohol Action Plan aimed at tackling the problems associated with excessive alcohol consumption.



Health Minister Lara Giddings said the Government was developing a wide ranging approach to tackling the problems of alcohol misuse and abuse in the community.

“Alcohol consumption causes a great deal of preventable and unacceptable personal and social harm across the community,” Ms Giddings said.

“Alcohol is also a major contributor to preventable illnesses, death, injuries, motor vehicle accidents, assaults and social problems that are of increasing concern for governments both locally and nationally.

“Our aim is for government agencies, local councils and the community sector to work more strategically and collaboratively towards the same goal.

“In Tasmania Together 2020, Tasmanians have said they want a safe community, better health and improved education outcomes. This Action Plan strives towards those aspirations.”

The Tasmanian Alcohol Action Plan is being developed by the Inter Agency Working Group on Drugs on behalf of Government, as part of the Tasmanian Drug Strategy.

The focus of the Action Plan is on public safety, public education and health promotion measures, enhanced professional training, and increased access to treatment services.

“I encourage everyone to take this opportunity to have their say and contribute to the development of this important plan that affects all Tasmanians,” Ms Giddings said.

Copies of the draft Tasmanian Alcohol Action Plan are available online, as well as comments and feedback form, available at www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/ads/taap. Feedback can be made up to 26 June 2009.

Discover Tasmania TV series rates high

The Minister for Tourism, Michelle O’Byrne, has announced that the second series of the Discover Tasmania television program is proving to be extremely popular with Tasmanians.



“Given the great success of the first Discover Tasmania TV show produced and aired last year, a second series was recently produced by Southern Cross Television in partnership with Tourism Tasmania,” Ms O’Byrne said.

“The inaugural series, which was conceived last year, became the flagship of the State Government’s intrastate tourism campaign, and achieved immediate success by out-rating the popular Dr Who series in the first episode.

“The average rating for each episode in this series shown in Tasmania was over 80,000 local viewers, and because it was later screened interstate, over 6.6 million viewers around the country tuned in.

“The half-hour episodes, which began on 23 April are hosted by Better Homes and Gardens chef Ed Halmagyi, and actor Jack Campbell from All Saints Medical Response Unit.”

“Reports from Southern Cross Television indicate the first episode in the new series out-rated all the other programs in that timeslot, and was also in the top four most-viewed shows that evening.

“It reached a combined total of 105,000 viewers in Tasmania – 6000 more than the most-viewed episode from the original series last year.

“The second episode, which was shown on 30 April and 2 May, achieved a combined reach of 112,000 viewers – bettering the first episode by 7,000 viewers.

“I am extremely pleased with these results, particularly given that the Thursday night time slot is a very competitive one, and this show goes head-to-head with the nationally produced Getaway Holiday Show.

“According to Southern Cross, the first two weeks of Discover Tasmania has out-rated Getaway by some 50,000 viewers.

“This indicates that Tasmanians are beginning to turn their attention away from overseas and domestic holidays, and are looking at what they can do locally.

“And with the 7 Network looking to screen the second series of Discover Tasmania series two nationally, Tasmania will also be promoted to millions of potential interstate visitors,” Ms O’Byrne said.

“The latest figures show that Tasmanian tourism is performing strongly during a highly volatile period for our industry in fact, to record high levels. This is in stark contrast to the national figures which showed an overall decline in total trips and a slight increase in total visitor spending.

“These figures demonstrate the strength of the State Government’s plan for tourism, which has brought significant economic benefits to Tasmania over the past 10 years. While we would be naive to think Tasmania will not be impacted by the global market conditions, the State Government is continuing to invest in well-targeted, creative and effective marketing programs like the Discover Tasmania TV series, to put us in a strong position to ride out the challenges ahead.”

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The Say Cagerattler

Not too long into the future our attention will again consider our Annual Rates and most if not all of us consider the ramifications of this. As we are aware this year things are a little different. given the changes in regard to water and sewerage services beginning in July.

In the past few weeks I've been wondering how we are to be levied for our new arrangements. This has two components I expect. Firstly the amount to be paid and secondly how it is to be paid. So far I have missed the detail on both of these aspects.

By general opinion an increase over the next few years is inevitable to help cover the costs of infrastructure. If this is to be the case then I trust the managers of the system factor in the need to allow for many low income consumers who already are struggling to meet the water and sewerage fees previously included in their rates demand especially in such uncertain economic times.

The other thing that really concerns me is directly involving Council revenues once they lose the monies derived from the water/sewerage component of our rates. I listened with interest on radio only the other day when a southern Council officer expressed some concerns with potential imposts on rates bases after the transition occurs. He really wasn't certain what might be forthcoming and until it all begins to take shape I expect it is only speculative.

Another factor in the rates situation this year for all Tasmanian Councils is the A.A.V. component whereby in most if not all valuations the property values have apparently risen. In some cases this is considerable.

I understand this has the potential to affect the rates.

I've always had a problem on this issue because unless you wish to sell up or rent out your property then why should a property valuation have any real bearing on what you pay for services, particularly when in most cases it's the same services you had before. Perhaps the only justification would be if the relevant services were equally increased to match every household. I trust our own Council will not need to make anything other than moderate increases for us on this front this time around. I'm sure common sense will be the order of the day.

One other thing I'd like to put to our local government representatives and indeed to the State Government is this. We have heard that there is a proposal that Break O'Day and Glamorgan-Spring Bay become one Council by amalgamation or merger. Maybe it would be prudent that there is a substantial investigation undertaken including asking us, the residents, who this absolutely directly affects before any serious consideration is given to this. Such a decision has all sorts of effects on us all and I for one am not convinced such a union in a low density population is a good thing.

It certainly deserves substantial due diligence before a decision is made and the opinions of the constituents should be a major component of this. Very interesting times ahead for sure.

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GMO Ban Bill Passed

Tasmania's ban on the release of genetically modified organisms to the environment will continue for at least another five years under a Bill passed by Parliament last week.

The Minister for Primary Industries and Water, David Llewellyn, said today that the State's GMO-free status is a key factor in the Tasmanian Brand.

"Tasmania's GMO-free status is a vital factor for our primary producers, helping them realise their full potential in international and interstate markets," Mr Llewellyn said.

"The decision by some other Australian states to relax their GM bans has actually increased the value of Tasmania's GMO-free status. It provides us with opportunities for even better Tasmanian access to prime markets.

"The hard work done over recent years has ensured that Tasmania is well placed to take full advantage of its reputation as a reliable supplier of the best and safest food."

The commercial release of genetically modified food crops is now banned until November 2014. The ban prohibits the unauthorised importation of genetically modified organisms, but does not apply to the importation of non-viable materials, such as processed animal feeds and food.

Mr Llewellyn said that the opportunities for Tasmania's primary industries, operating under the Tasmanian Brand, are exciting.

"The prime markets are demanding, and are prepared to pay for food that is clean, green and safe.

"Tasmania is already well-positioned to meet that demand, and our decision to extend the GMO ban makes the Tasmanian Brand even stronger."



Faster broadband delivered to Tasmania

Premier David Bartlett has welcomed the announcement by Netspace of a new faster broadband service in Tasmania.

"The announcement means that Tasmanians now have a choice of major companies offering access to the same ADSL2+ fast internet speeds enjoyed on the mainland.

"This investment by Netspace will help drive cost-competitiveness for fast broadband in Tasmania - enabling price and performance parity with interstate offerings," Mr Bartlett said.

ADSL2+ download speeds are up to three times faster than that of regular ADSL broadband connections and 400 times faster than dial-up.

"High-speed broadband infrastructure will be the dams, poles and wires of the future and will underpin our economic strength, jobs growth and standard of living for decades to come.

"It is the Government's vision for the future that has enabled the development of competitive telecommunications infrastructure in Tasmania and laid the groundwork for significant investment by internet service providers."

"This Government has made it a priority to improve the state of telecommunications in Tasmania.

"That is why the Tasmanian Government invested \$30 million in on-island optic fibre and through its strategic partner, Aurora Energy, has successfully negotiated an agreement to commercialise both the on-island optic fibre and the Basslink optic fibre cable.

"It is also why the State Government prepared such a strong submission to National Broadband Network request for proposal process.

"On the strength of Tasmanian's submission the Australian Government has decided that Tasmania will be the first to commence the rollout of a comprehensive Fibre to the Premise network.

"None of this would have been possible if Liberal opposition had got its way and sold off the critical on-island optic fibre at a loss.

For households, the access to broadband download speeds of up to 20mbps will enable multiple telephone lines and multiple computer access from the same connection without affecting performance, as well as internet protocol TV.

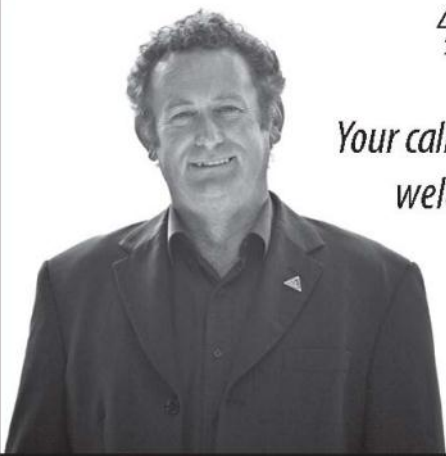
Business will also benefit from faster broadband investments - enabling greater flexibility for home-based businesses, job-sharing, logistical savings for those working remotely and real-time video-conferencing.

"This is likely to be the first of many significant investments in Tasmania resulting from the Government's commitment to broadband development, including the strategic alliance the Tasmanian Government struck with Aurora in November 2008," Mr Bartlett said.

The faster broadband speeds will be available from May for Netspace customers in Launceston and Hobart with broader coverage expected to be rolled out in coming months.



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Little Johnny's kindergarten class was on a field trip to their local police station where they saw pictures tacked to a bulletin board of the 10 most wanted criminals. One of the youngsters pointed to a picture and asked if it really was the photo of a wanted person. "Yes," said the policeman. "The detectives want very badly to capture him." Little Johnny asked, "Why didn't you keep him when you took his picture?"

New System Enhances Adult Education Services

Adult Education is launching a new \$350,000 online enrolment and course management system that will help transform learning in Tasmania.

Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, Heather Butler, said new software meant that for the first time Tasmanians could browse for courses, enrol and pay online to immediately confirm their place in the Adult Education class of their choice.

Launching the Adult Education Winter program last week, Ms Butler said the new system meant people would no longer be restricted to enrolling in courses when course guides came out.

“New classes can now be rapidly programmed and put up online at any time in response to community demand,” Ms Butler said.

“In the future the website could also host learning opportunities offered by other community education providers such as online access centres and neighbourhood houses.”

“People can also continue to enrol by phone, fax, mail or over the counter at most Adult Education centres.

“Adult Education is an important part of the State Government’s commitment to lifelong learning and these improvements will enhance its services.”

Ms Butler joined dog groomer Josephine Atkins at the southern launch of the Adult Education winter program.

“Josephine has been offering her popular dog grooming courses through Adult Education since 2002. She has worked with the RSPCA, in a dog grooming parlour and as a veterinary nurse and is now studying to be a dog trainer.”

“Grooming Your Small Dog is one of more than 800 Adult Education classes being offered state-wide for Adult Education’s upcoming winter program. The program includes 111 new classes.”

New courses in the winter program include Taking Control of High Blood Pressure, What Lives on the Rocky Shoreline? Could I be a Foster Parent? and How to Care for your Horse and Pony.

The Adult Education Winter program is available at www.adulteducation.tas.gov.au



Heather Butler and Josephine Atkins.

HOW TRUE IT IS

Another year has passed and we're all a little older. Last summer felt hotter and winter seems much colder. I rack my brain for happy thoughts, to put down on my pad, but lots of things, that come to mind, just make me kind of sad. There was a time not long ago, when life was quite a blast. Now I fully understand about 'Living in the Past'. We used to go to friends homes, football games and lunches. Now we go to therapy, to hospitals, and after-funeral brunches. We used to have hangovers, from parties that were gay, now we suffer body aches and sleep the night away. We used to go out dining, and couldn't get our fill. Now we ask for doggie bags, come home and take a pill. We used to travel often, to places near and far. Now we get backaches from riding in the car. We used to go out shopping for new clothing at the Mall. But, now we never bother...all the sizes are too small. That, my friend is how life is, and now my tale is told. So, enjoy each day and live it up...before you're too damn old!! (Author unknown)

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Math Teaser (asked last issue)

This is a 5th grade math problem.

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Problem:

There are 7 girls in a bus.

Each girl has 7 backpacks.

In each backpack,

there are 7 big cats.

For every big cat, there are 7 little cats.

The bus driver is not in the bus at this time.

Question:

How many legs are there in the bus?

This was the question asked last issue.

Apparently it was well received but caused many arguments trying to arrive at the correct answer.

Thank you to those who emailed me.

Here is the answer.

$$(7 \times 2) + (7 \times 7 \times 7 \times 4) + (7 \times 7 \times 7 \times 7 \times 4) = 10,990 \text{ legs}$$

$$7 \text{ Girls} \times 2 \text{ legs: } [7 \times 2 = 14 \text{ legs}]$$

$$7 \text{ Girls with } 7 \text{ Backpacks each: } [7 \times 7 = 49 \text{ Backpacks}]$$

Each Backpack contains 1 Large cat + 7 Small Cats:

$$[8 \text{ cats} \times 7 \text{ girls} \times 49 \text{ Backpacks} = 2744 \text{ cats}]$$

$$2744 \text{ cats} \times 4 \text{ legs} = 10976 + 14 \text{ legs from the } 7 \text{ girls} = 10990:$$

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Tasmania secures funding for e-learning projects



Tasmania has secured funding from the Australian Flexible Learning Framework to deliver innovative e-learning solutions in the State during 2009, Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, Heather Butler, has announced.

Ms Butler said that e-learning was an integral part of the national training system.

“It promotes the use of information and communication technology (ICT) in the flexible delivery of education and training to respond to the training needs of Tasmanian businesses and learners,” she said.

Ms Butler said that a total of \$288,800 has been awarded to develop and manage 13 e-learning innovation programs specifically tailored to Tasmania's vocational education and training (VET) priorities outlined in the Tasmanian Skills Strategy.

“Six of these successful projects are from the Tasmanian Polytechnic, three from the Tasmanian Skills Institute and four are from private registered training organisations,” Ms Butler said.

“The Tasmanian Skills Institute and the Tasmanian Polytechnic have once again really excelled with their vision around e-learning from both the learners and business partners.

“For example, the Polytechnic’s Electro-flex project partnering up with Workplace Standards will give electricians a flexible choice around completing the electrical contractors course, and the Skill Institute’s Prove It project. is developing online accredited courses with the Department of Treasury and Finance (Liquor and Gaming Branch) around the responsible serving of alcohol and gaming in Tasmania.”

Ms Butler said that the latest statistics showed that 71 per cent of VET enrolments involve e-learning in Tasmania, compared to a national rate of 35 per cent.

“This shows that Tasmanians have embraced e-learning at more than twice the rate of other Australians,” Ms Butler said.

“Tasmania’s great results show that we as a State are responding well to provide the opportunity for training providers to offer flexible learning options for employers and students.”

Tasmania’s E-learning Innovations Projects for 2009:

Federal Group E-Orientation – interactive online training and assessment for all new Federal Group employees (Federal Group and GlobalNet ICT Pty Ltd)

Pilat-e – e-learning options relating to pilates instructor qualifications (Island Health College and Australian Pilates Method Association)

E-furn – training and assessment on a range of units from the Furniture Industry Training Package (Tasmanian Skills Institute)

Electro-flex – a more flexible alternative to completing the Electrical Contractors Certificate IV qualification (Tasmanian Skills Institute and Workplace Standards)

Prove it! – online accredited courses to train people working in the hospitality industry in relation to the responsible serving of alcohol and gaming (Tasmanian Skills Institute and the Department of Treasury and Finance - Liquor and Gaming Branch)

Aurora Energy – induction, up-skilling and ongoing training and assessment of Aurora new supply centre employees (Aurora Energy)

E-portfolios are ‘living’ evidence – trial of an e-portfolio strategy for the Tasmanian Polytechnic using the community services and health and well-being workforce sectors (Tasmanian Polytechnic)

Information Literacy Skills – the Web 2.0 way – will use information industry business clients from the State Library of Tasmania and the University of Tasmania to target appropriate web 2.0 technologies (Tasmanian Polytechnic, State Library of Tasmania and University of Tasmania Morris Miller Library)

Meintassie wiki – a supportive, open-access online environment for learners in the Tasmanian Polytechnic Migrant Education Program in Hobart using Wikispaces (Tasmanian Polytechnic)

Skills in Nursing – an opportunity to learn nursing skills using multimedia (Tasmanian Polytechnic)

Micro-business e-learning strategy – will develop, implement and evaluate an online course for Certificate III in Micro Business (Tasmanian Polytechnic)

E-tag learning table in the health care environment – will help learners explore e-learning with training and assessment in the clinical simulation area for nursing and health studies (Tasmanian Polytechnic)

Skillsbook – will empower learners and teachers through social learning approaches to e-learning adoption (Recognise-IT and Rosny College)

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Wednesday 10am-4 pm**

**Thursday 10 am – 3 pm
Friday 10 am – 3 pm
Saturday 11 am – 2 pm**

Ph: 6372 2005

MEALS ON WHEELS ROSTER

June	St Marys	Fingal
Monday 8th	Fe Gillies	Robyn Miller
Tuesday 9th	Ruth Aulich	
Wednesday 10th	Liz Rice	
Thursday 11th	Heather Griffiths	
Friday 12th	Hannah Rubenach	
Monday 15th	Debbie Barnes	June Hall
Tuesday 16th	Pam Lynch	
Wednesday 17th	Dianne Troode	
Thursday 18th	Yvonne Salter	
Friday 19th	Geoff Herrmann	

Church Services

Catholic Parish of St Marys

Sr. Lorraine Groves
Parish House. Ph: 6372 2252
Mob: 0409 172 741

1st Sunday: MASS

St Helens Vigil 6.00pm
Bicheno 9.00am
Swansea LWC 9.30am
Fingal 11.30am
Campbell Town 5.00pm

2nd Sunday: LITURGY

St Helens Vigil LWC 6.00pm
St Marys LWC 9.00am
Bicheno LWC 9.00am
Swansea LWC 9.30am
Fingal LWC 9.30am
Campbell Town LWC 5.00pm

3rd Sunday: MASS

St Helens Vigil 6.00pm
St Marys 9.00am
Swansea 11.30am
Campbell Town 5.00pm
Bicheno LWC 9.00am

4th Sunday LITURGY

St Helens Vigil LWC 6.00pm
St Marys LWC 9.00am
Bicheno LWC 9.00am
Swansea LWC 9.30am
Fingal LWC 9.30am
Campbell Town LWC 5.00pm

5th Week MASS

St Helens Vigil 6.00pm
Bicheno 9.00am
St Marys 11.00am
Swansea LWC 9.30am
Campbell Town 5.00pm

Anglican Parish of Northern Midlands

Avoca: 11am 2nd/4th Sundays
Fingal: 3 pm 1st/3rd Sundays
Mathinna: 3pm 2nd/ 4th Sundays
Ross: 11am 1st/3rd Sundays
Campbell Town: 9am every Sun.
(3rd Sunday –Family Service)

Anglican Parish of Break O'Day

Ph: 6376 1144

St Helens Every Sunday
8 am and 10.30 am
Kanga Sunday School

10.30 am – 12 noon
every Sunday for children
5 – 12 yrs

St Marys every Sunday 10 am
Pyengana: Kids Church,
2pm - 4th Sunday every month.

Salvation Army TUESDAY JAM

3-5pm every Tuesday.
except school holidays.

Sunday Joy

6.30pm for 7pm:each Sunday
Envoy Melanie Norton Ph: 6372 2099

Break O'Day Uniting Church

The Manse St Helens
Ph: 6376 2405
St Helens 9.00 am
Fingal 11.15 am

Seventh Day Adventist

Hodgeman Street Scamander
Sabbath School 10 am
Divine Service 11 am

MEALS ON WHEELS DRIVERS URGENTLY NEEDED IN ST MARYS AREA.

IF YOU ARE ABLE TO DRIVE FOR MEALS ON WHEELS ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH, PLEASE CONTACT

SUSAN WOODS: 6374 2193

MIM WOODS: 6374 2209

OR SHIRLEEN WOODS: 6374 2267

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Articles and letters published in the Valley Voice are not necessarily the opinion of the staff and volunteers of this community paper. Ed.

Contacts for Valley Voice

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email: judith.spilbury@bigpond.com

Accounts: Mary: 6372 2328

Please leave written material at the St Marys Pharmacy, Main St, St Marys, or post: C/- Post Office, St Marys Tas 7215

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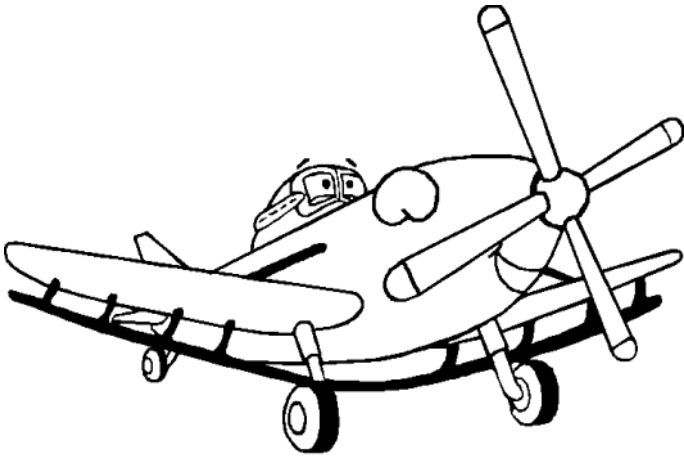
Stallholders Market Inc.

Is a non profit organisation holding markets every Saturday from 8am in St Helens, at the Library car park.

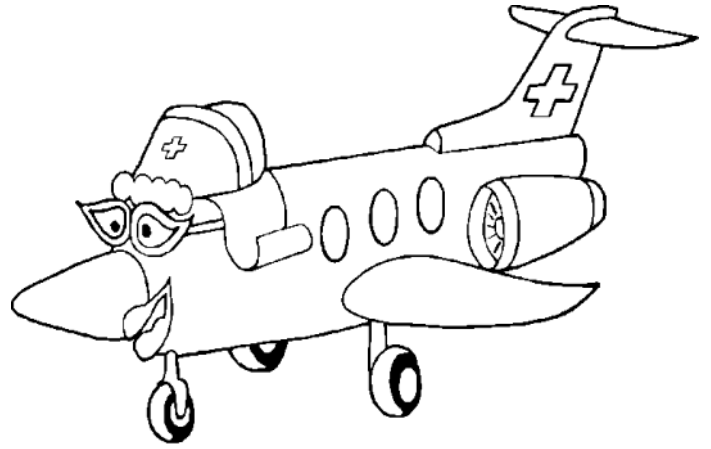
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For stall booking or any other inquiries, please phone Sylvia on 6376 8390. Or Saturday mornings only: 0447 589 803.

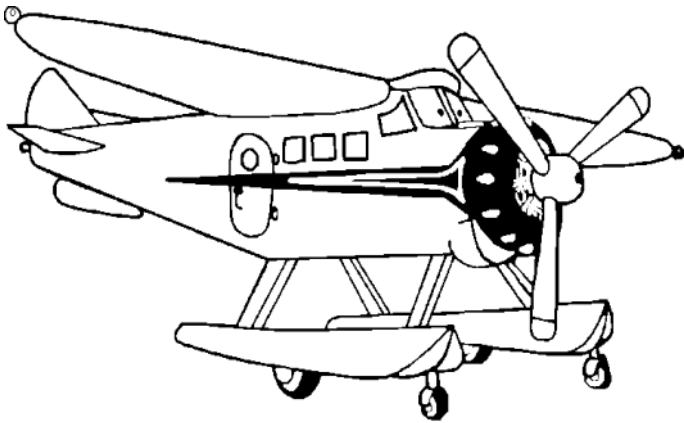
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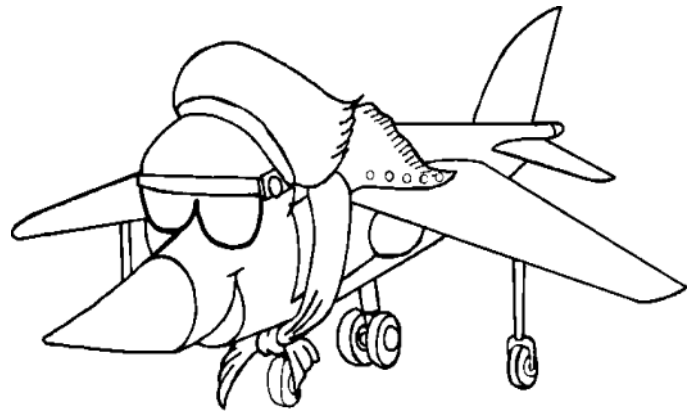
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ST MARYS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

DOCTORS ROSTER

Dr J Conway— 21st May— 12th June
Dr Ma—Sat 13th June—Wed 24th June

AFTER HOURS SERVICE CONTACT NUMBERS

PLEASE PHONE GP ASSIST ON 1300 780 011
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 EMERGENCY 000
 COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE 6372 2111
BEFORE PRESENTING AFTER HOURS.

St Marys Community Health Centre
GP Surgery Hours:

Monday—Friday 8:50am-12:30pm
 12:30pm-1:30pm LUNCH

NO PATHOLOGY SERVICE 12:00-1:30PM

FLU LIKE SYMPTOMS

PLEASE PHONE 1800 358 362 BEFORE COMING TO
THE MEDICAL CENTRE TO BE ADVISED ON THE
APPROPRIATE ACTION

CERVICAL CANCER VACCINE

If you are aged between 18 and 26 (or 12-18 if not at school) and want to have the vaccine for protection against cervical cancer then time is running out!

This vaccine requires 3 doses over 6 months. Government funding for this age group runs out in December 2009. if you want the vaccine it needs to be started by June 2009. Once funding stops the cost for the vaccine will be greater than \$400.00. For your **FREE** vaccine see your doctor soon.

FLU VACCINES

Flu vaccines are currently available from the
 St Marys Community Health Centre.

If you are aged 65+ your flu vaccine is **FREE**
 Please phone the Community Health Centre on 6372 2111
 and make an appointment.

If you are under 65 years of age please make an appointment to see your GP and get a prescription for your flu vaccine. A doctors appointment is required to have your flu vaccine given.

ROAD WORKS AT THE HEALTH CENTRE

Commencement of driveways reconstruction at the St Marys Community Health Centre started on Tuesday 10th May 2009.

This is now completed and the entrance on Gardiners Creek Road can be accessed. Line marking will be in the near future, please keep left at all times.

PODIATRY SERVICES 2009

Bookings for Podiatry Services can be made by phoning:
Lightfoot Podiatry Services Launceston
 Phone 6331 9568 for appointments.

IMPORTANT PUBLIC NOTICE

PLEASE abide by the **SPEED LIMITS** and **ENTRY** and **EXIT SIGNS** set in and around the Community Health Centre. Some access ways are **ONE WAY ONLY**.

WHAT'S ON AT THE CENTRE

- 3rd June **Day Centre**— For details on the group please contact Ann Jetson on 6372 2111
- 4th June **Continence Nurse**—Heather Lees -for appointments please call 63365137
- 5th June **G.P. NORTH**
 9am—5pm
Diabetes For appointments please see you GP for a referral.
Dietician- Appointments by referral from your G.P
Exercise Physiologist by referral from your G.P
Dr Sladden—Dermatologist appointments through his reception
- 9th June **Child Health Session** with Sue Gofton.
 Every Tuesday by appointment. Please phone 0428 136 381
- 9th June **Jobfind**— downstairs at the Community Health Centre
 Last Appointment
- 10th June **Day Centre**— For details on the group please contact Ann Jetson on 6372 2111
- 10th June **CRS** 10 am
- 10th June **Psychologist** Dohotay Teboul— appointments by referral from your GP.
- 15th June **Relationships Australia** Lyn Marie phone 1300 364 277
- 16th June **Dieticians** under MAHS program
- 16th June **Child Health Session** with Sue Gofton.
 Every Tuesday by appointment. Please phone 0428 136 381
- 16th June **Tom Bain—Rae & Partners Lawyers.** For appointment please phone 6337 5555.
 Available Tuesday fortnights at the St Mary Community Health Centre
- 16th June **Dieticians** under MAHS program
 Podiatrist Annabelle Williams (consult room 2)
 Referral from your G.P
- 17th June Bookings Podiatry Services can be made by phoning:
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 Phone 6331 9568 for appointments.
- 17th June **Psychologist** Dohotay Teboul— appointments by referral from your GP.

HOW CAN I PROTECT MYSELF AND MY CHILDREN?

1. **Know the signs of flu.** The flu comes on suddenly. Its main symptoms are fever (high temperature), dry cough, sore throat, runny/blocked nose and headache.



2. **Use your phone.** If you or your child gets flu symptoms within 7 days of travel to an affected area, or within 7 days of contact with someone who has or is suspected of having Human Swine Flu, phone for health advice straight away. This is for your safety and the safety of people around you.

In Tasmania, phone **1800 358 362 (1800 FLU DOC)**. It's a free call, including from mobile phones.



3. **Stay home.** If you or your child has flu symptoms, stay home and away from others until you are fully recovered. This is important for **all** types of flu.



4. **Keep your distance.** Try to stand back from other people at work and in public. Try to keep a distance of one metre, or a very large step.



5. **Always cover your cough or sneeze.** Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or even your arm, rather than your hands which can easily spread germs. Put dirty tissues in the rubbish straight away. (Don't keep the flu in your pocket).



6. **Always wash your hands** with soap and water (or an alcohol-based hand rub) before touching your mouth, nose, eyes or anything that goes in your mouth. (Your hands could have picked up the flu virus from something you touched).



ABOUT TASMANIA'S CURRENT HEALTH RESPONSE

What is the overall plan?

1. Keep the virus out of Tasmania for as long as possible.
2. Once the virus is in Tasmania, try to stop it having the chance to spread.
3. When the virus is spreading, do what we can to keep the number of cases down.
4. When vaccine is available, control the spread of illness through vaccination.

How are we keeping it out and stopping it having the chance to spread?

Every passenger arriving in Tasmania is being given information about the need to phone 1800 FLU DOC if they think they might have Human Swine Flu.

Extensive signage is in place at airports and ports and on the Spirit of Tasmania, and announcements are being made on the Spirit of Tasmania.

TV advertisements and Community Service Announcements are being run.

GP receptionists have been asked to screen patients. Anyone who has an influenza like illness and has travelled to Mexico, USA, Canada, Japan or Panama is advised to phone 1800 FLU DOC (1800 358 362) without delay.

GPs have been asked to take swabs from anyone who presents with an influenza like illness so any possible cases are quickly identified.

School principals and child care centres have been advised that any child or student who has travelled to Mexico, USA, Canada, Japan or Panama should be excluded from school and child care for seven days after being in that country.

How are suspected cases managed in Tasmania?

Suspected cases in Tasmania are currently interviewed in depth to find out

- Whether the person may have been exposed to the virus
- If their symptoms match the symptom list for Human Swine Flu
- When the person would have become infectious
- Who they've been in close contact with.

If the person matches the definition of a suspected case, they are

- Given antivirals if appropriate
- Instructed to stay in home (or hotel) isolation, away from other people, while we wait for test results
- Given face masks to wear when near other people
- Given information
- Told to be alert for signs of flu.

ABOUT TASMANIA'S PLANNED HEALTH RESPONSE

When there are cases in Tasmania, how will it be managed?

Two important parts of Tasmania's planned health response are:

1. Telephone assessment, referral and management of patients with flu-like illness.
2. Flu Clinics.

Why is telephone assessment important?

Telephone assessment will help

1. Identify possible cases in Tasmania.
2. Minimise (preferably stop) the spread of illness - by directing potentially infected people to the appropriate place for assessment.
3. Make sure people who think they may have symptoms of flu receive the best possible advice quickly, including how to protect others.
4. Minimise pressure on GPs, hospitals and other primary health care providers by reducing direct visits and diverting enquiries.

What are flu clinics?

Flu clinics are specially-planned health services for use during an influenza pandemic. Plans are being made to establish flu clinics in existing community facilities around Tasmania. Doctors, nurses and support staff will be asked to work at Flu Clinics to assess and provide basic medical treatment to people who have influenza.

At a Flu Clinic, the focus will be on safety. Flu Clinics will be set up specially to make sure people are kept well apart. Face masks will be worn by all patients, and staff will wear full personal protective equipment, including gloves, masks and gowns. These steps will be taken to help stop anyone from catching or spreading the human swine flu virus at a Flu Clinic.

Flu clinics will be activated on advice from the Director of Public Health. This is likely to be when there are a number of confirmed cases Human Swine Flu in Tasmania.

What will happen at the Flu Clinics?

At Flu Clinics people will receive:

- a free medical check of their flu symptoms by specially-trained staff
- basic medical treatment for flu-like illnesses
- a limited supply of face masks if they have symptoms of flu
- advice about home quarantine, how to protect others, how to look after themselves.
- medical certificates if appropriate.
- referral to hospital if necessary.

ABOUT THE ILLNESS

What are the symptoms of flu?

The most common symptoms of Human Swine Flu are fever (high temperature), cough, sore throat, runny nose, headache, body aches and diarrhoea.

How many people will get sick, and how sick will they be?

There is a lot we don't know about this virus yet, because it is new. We are assuming around 30% of Australia's population will get sick.

For most people, the virus causes mild illness. Some people get very sick and some have died.

The virus appears to affect mainly young people, under the age of 30. Around half of those that get very sick have an underlying health condition, like asthma, diabetes or lung disease, or are pregnant. The other half are people who were previously healthy.

Why are experts so worried about this flu?

As well as being concerned about possible illness and deaths, experts are worried about the impact this virus could have on our health system and our community in general.

Our health system is not designed to cope with sudden and large increases in patients, especially over winter months when we traditionally experience increases in patient numbers (and reduced staffing) because of seasonal flu. Alternative arrangements need to be put in place to help the health system cope.

Experts are also worried about the impact this flu could have on workplaces and subsequently the availability of goods and services. Widespread illness would cause high levels of workplace absenteeism, with staff taking leave because they

- are in home isolation;
- are sick or caring for someone who is sick; or
- are caring for children if schools and child care centres are closed.

How does Human Swine Flu spread?

Human Swine Flu is spread from person to person in the same way as seasonal influenza and other common respiratory illnesses.

This is mostly in two ways:

1. Breathing in droplets from an infected person's uncovered cough or sneeze. (An uncovered cough can spread droplets a metre.)
2. Touching something that has the virus on it, and then touching your mouth, eyes, nostrils or anything that goes in your mouth. (Influenza viruses can survive on hard surfaces for up to 48 hours).

Flu spreads up to a day before symptoms appear. This means you can catch the flu from someone even before that person notices they are sick.

ABOUT STAYING HOME FROM SCHOOL OR WORK

Which students have been excluded from schools?

For the time being, no student should attend school or childcare within seven days of travel to Mexico, USA, Canada, Japan or Panama. This arrangement applies to all children at childcare, primary school, high school and colleges.

What if my child has travelled to one of these countries but they are not sick?

Your child should stay home from school within seven days of travel to the listed countries **even if they are well**. This is because people can spread the flu to others a whole day (24 hours) before they start to feel unwell.

Why do they have to stay home for a whole seven days?

It can take up to seven days for people to get/show sick with symptoms of flu or after they have come into contact with someone with the virus. This is why it is important that children stay home for a whole seven days. By excluding students who have travelled to these countries, there is less risk of other children getting sick and less chance that the whole school will have to close.

Can my child leave home when they have been excluded from school?

Children and students who have travelled to the listed countries should stay at home as much as possible, and away from other people. They should not go anywhere they are likely to be close to other people.

What about siblings and parents of children who have travelled?

Only people who have travelled need to stay at home. This will change if the child that travelled (or any other household member) becomes unwell with flu symptoms. If that happens, phone 1800 358 362 (1800 FLU DOC) without delay. (A suitable adult should of course stay home to care for a young child who has been excluded from school.)

Can adults go to work after they have travelled?

Adults who have travelled to the listed countries can still go to work, **unless they have flu symptoms**. While at work and in public they should try to keep a large step away from others, wash their hands often and cover occasional coughs and sneezes with a tissue, or even the inside of your elbow (rather than your hands).

If they start feeling unwell, they should move away from others and call the 1800 358 362 for assessment straight away.

Why can adults still go to work after travel, when children can't go to school?

There are two reasons why adults are being treated differently to children/students:

1. The virus seems to spread most quickly in schools, and affect mostly young people.
2. Adults are usually better able to take steps to protect others. This includes keeping a large step from others, covering coughs and sneezes effectively and washing hands.

Fingal Primary School News

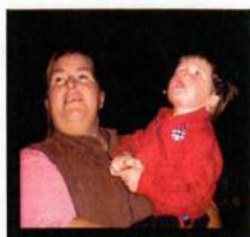


Fireworks

On Friday 22nd May Fingal School Association held a Fireworks Night. The School Association sold hamburgers and onion, sausages and onions, saveloys, pumpkin soup, vegie soup and fairy floss to fill up on before the fireworks started. Miss Smith's Duck Poo Lotto was a great success along with the wonderful raffle with lots of prizes won. The Fireworks started at 6.30 p.m. and everyone had eyes in the sky watching the wonderful display. A great night was had by all. Without the wonderful donations from business in the valley the night would not have been the success it was. Thank you to all those who donated for this evening.

Duck Poo Lotto Winners: Sam Oates, Barry Death, Barney Freeman and Melanie Woods.

Raffle Winners: Fiona Ward (Meat Pack Malahide), Cathy Bean (Meat Pack Malahide), Keri Webb (Meat Pack St Marys Value Plus), Marcia Harvey (3 chickens Miss Smith), Renee Woods (\$50 voucher IGA St Helens), Lauren Bennett (\$50 voucher Barbara and John "Hayshed"), Leo Woods (\$50 voucher Bunnings), Melanine Woods (\$50 voucher St Marys Newsagency), M & Dave Guy (\$20 voucher Main Street Clothing), Chris Gee (\$20 voucher Hilleys Value Plus), Sydney Rushton (\$30 voucher Woolworths), Chris Barnes (\$60 Meal Voucher Fingal Hotel), Janice Thow (\$100 Voucher Bay Surf).



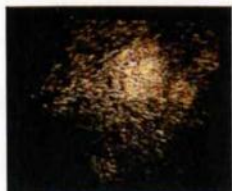
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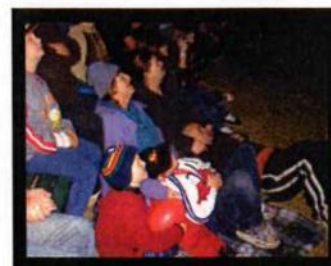
Melanie and
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and Ebony
Bennett.



Keri and Murray Webb



Chelsea Lohrey and Catherine Bean



Flemming Family

Calendar of Events - June

15th Term 2 Begins	16th	17th	18th Launching into Learning 1.30—3.00 p.m. Assembly Grade 3/4 to Lead 2.15 p.m. Newsletter	19th
22nd Book Fair in School Foyer Premiers Reading Challenge Begins	23rd Book Fair in School Foyer	24th Book Fair in School Foyer	25th Launching into Learning 1.30—3.00 p.m. Book Fair in School Foyer	26th Principals Forum Book Fair in School Foyer

St Marys Sports Centre Inc. news Kackhander.

Thanks to those involved in the Patron's Day on May 24th. A special thanks goes to Councilor John McGiveron for providing the day for us. Thanks for your support.

The event was a Four Ball Best Ball Stableford and the winners were Barry Harrison and new member Stuart Falconer. Congratulations to you both. Last Saturday the scheduled stroke event was adversely affected by the lousy weather.

Just a reminder though that this weekend sees the 2009 McDonalds Cup. Thanks to the generosity and hard work of the McDonald Family this is our biggest single day of the year and almost certainly the most fun. Macca goes out of his way especially to organise this terrific event so this Sunday of the June long weekend just get your team together and head over for a great time.

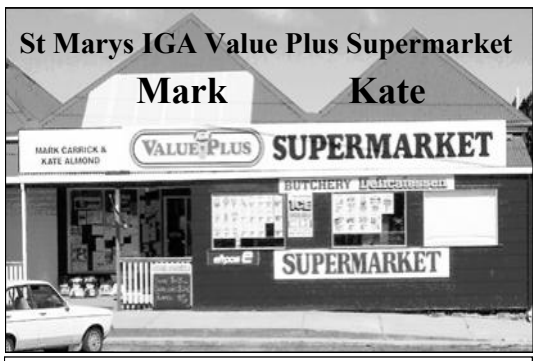
Other events coming up include the Veterans Geoff King Memorial Day and a couple of our Perpetual events in the next few weeks.

Just a reminder also that the AGM is reasonably close (June 26) so please start thinking about it all and maybe even consider perhaps, joining the committee .

It's good to report that the Honour Boards are being fully updated at present which is important for club records.

Thanks to all our volunteers lately who have been contributing magnificently to the club in all sorts of ways and is the reason why we continue to keep alive and going . Great effort all.

Any way until next time, good hitting and rolling.



38 Main Street St Marys
Phone/Fax 6372 2240 - Butcher Ph: 6372 2274
Mon – Fri 8am – 6pm
Sat 8am 12 noon

This week's specials.

From the butchery.

Microwave chicken	\$ 5.99kg
T-bone steak	\$14.99kg
Regular mince	\$ 7.99kg
Chicken Hawaiian roll	\$10.99kg
Blade roast	\$ 7.99kg

Instore specials

Kleenex toilet tissue 12pk	\$6.99
Nestle Milo 750g	\$7.99
Pedigree dog food 1.2kg	\$2.49
CSR white/raw sugar 1kg	\$1.59
Foster Clark twin snack packs 140g	\$2.15

Late week specials

Devondale long life milk 2lt	\$1.99
Nescafe Blend 43 150g/Gold 100g	\$6.99
Top Taste Genoa/Sultana cake 450g	\$2.49
Cripps Master sliced bread 680-700g	\$2.79

Next week's specials.

From the butchery

IGA silverside	\$ 6.99kg
Nichols 6 legged chicken	\$ 4.99kg
Porterhouse steak	\$15.99kg
Gerrollo roast	\$ 8.99kg
Loin lamb chops	\$15.99kg

Instore specials

Cottees cordial syrup 2lt	\$3.79
Golden Circle soft drink 1.5lt	.99c
Friskies dry cat food 1kg	\$3.99
Berri long life juice 2.4lt	\$3.79
Arnotts choc wheaten/tv snack choc bis.	\$1.99

Late week specials

Nescafe Blend 43 150g/Gold 100g	\$6.99
Bulla ice cream 2lt	\$3.99
Cripps Master loaf sliced bread 680/700g	\$2.79
Soft toilet tissue 18pk	\$7.99

ST MARYS TENNIS CLUB

Anyone who is interested
 in playing in a
Friday evening doubles roster
 again this year can you please notify
Jack Foreman 6372 2034.



East Coast Motocross Up 'n' Coming Events



Sunday June 21st

This is a Club Race Day at the Bar 20 Track, Goshen. This will be a bigger than normal Race Day with riders from around the State coming to check out the track before the State Championship in July.

Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th July

This will be the first time the East Coast Motocross Club has held a 2 Day Tasmanian Motorcycle Championship. 2 days of non stop racing of over 160 bikes from all over the State including 12 local riders. Riders will be looking at big point gains at this round - as this is the 2nd last round for the year. It will cause some very exciting racing between riders who are close in points.

The Club is also looking for helpers for the 2 day State Round. For more information about the ECMC or wanting to come along and help at the Club please contact **Anne on 63 761 380 a.h.**